

TOWN OF HENLOPEN ACRES 2023 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Dear Neighbor,

We are delighted to welcome our new Town Manager, Sally Slook, who will assume her position on Monday, July 3.

Sally is a native of Delaware and a graduate of Villanova University where she is a part-time faculty member in Public Administration. She has 15 years of experience in town manager roles in communities outside of Philadelphia, including Malvern and King of Prussia.

Please stop by and say hello to Sally, where you can also wish Tom Roth well in his retirement. Tom will be providing transition assistance during July and August. We thank Tom for his 19 years of service, and look forward to working with Sally in the future.



Joni Reich, Mayor

2023 Voter Registration & Election

This year's Town election for three Commissioner positions, will be held on August 26. Property owners and residents are eligible to file to become a candidate and to vote in the election, with at least two positions to be filled by a resident. You must register with the Town to vote in the election. Voter registration and candidate form can be obtained from Michele Frye at Town Hall or on the Town website.

Deadline to File Candidacy:	Friday, July 14, 2023
Deadline to Register to Vote:	Thursday, July 26, 2023
Election Day:	Saturday, August 26, 2023



Independence Day Town Parade
Tuesday, July 4th
Town Marina @ 9:00 am

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MAYOR:

Joni Reich

Commissioners:

Tiffany Derrickson

Tim Hidell

Jeffrey Jacobs

Paddy Richards

John Staffier

Richard Thompson

Town Manager:

Thomas Roth

Town Clerk:

Michele Frye

Public Works:

Sonny McClure

Security:

Lee Stewart

Town Hall—104 Tidewaters

Hours: M-F 9-4:30

• 302-227-6411

• 302-227-3978 Fax

• 302-542-3323 Security

• townclerk@henlopenacres.com

• henlopenacres.delaware.gov

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Board of Commissioners

Quarterly Mtg

Friday, July 14, 2023 at 10am

Planning Commission

To be scheduled

Board of Adjustment

Friday, June 30, 2023 at 10 am

Tree Committee

As needed

TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:

TUESDAY, July 4

Independence Day

MONDAY, September 4

Labor Day

MONDAY, October 9

Columbus Day





Our Deepest Sympathy to the family of:

Molly Houston—21 Tidewaters

Mosquito Spraying

A reminder that the Town sprays for mosquitos every Friday morning between 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. This will continue until the first frost in September to help alleviate mosquitos in the Town. Information on chemicals used in the spraying is available at Town Hall.

BLOCK W BEACH CLEAN-UP

A nice and fun event took place on May 27, 2023 – our community clean-up of the Block W dunes. Many neighbors, united by their love of nature, the ocean, and healthy dunes, came to share time and smiles on this sunny morning. This year we had a record turn-out of ~ 40-50 volunteers. The most remarkable was the impressive presence of the younger generation of Henlopen Acres residents. We hope that by involving our kids and grandchildren in our annual dune clean-ups and grass plantings, we will develop another generation of dunes keepers. And what fun it was for the kids to see a fox in the dunes and to pick up a deer’s antler as treasure. A lot of trash was collected and disposed of. Thank you to all our volunteers for helping out!

Property Re-Assessments

Sussex County was scheduled to complete its reassessment project by 2024 That timeline has now shifted a year, to 2025.

Delaware Trivia :

On June 5th, Delaware changed its State Dog designation from the Golden Retriever to “Rescue Dog.”

Water Plant

The Town recently completed an important upgrade to our water system. The plant and its 11 wells are now supported by a state of the art SCADA system. SCADA, (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition), is a system that gathers and analyzes data to monitor and control critical events happening within the water system.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

An amendment was approved to Chapter 50, Business Licenses, that will hold a property owner or resident responsible if they hire a business to do work on their property, that had not obtained a Henlopen Acres business license. The amendment reads: 50-2.B.(1) - Any property owner, family member, tenant, agent, guest, or person who hires, contracts with, engages, or otherwise permits any business, company, proprietor, or person to conduct business of any kind or alters the land or structures of owner’s property, without first obtaining a business license, shall be subject to fine.

